

## CLAIMS

1. A method for a second individual having a context  
5 log which contains information about contextual aspects,  
related to the second individual, as a function of time,  
to read information from a first individual's context log  
which contains information about contextual aspects,  
related to the first individual, as a function of time,  
10 c h a r a c t e r i s e d by generating, from information  
from the context log of the first individual, a context  
graph, available to the second individual, of the first  
individual which shows contextual aspects as a function  
of time, and including in the context graph at least a  
15 contextual aspect which refers to at least one location  
of the first individual and a contextual aspect which  
refers to at least one activity on a work- or individual-  
related object with the same location as the first  
individual, and showing by the context graph contextual  
20 aspects for a period of time which comprises both present  
time and a period of the past in connection with the  
present time.

2. A method as claimed in claim 1, c h a r a c -  
25 t e r i s e d in that at least one further shown contex-  
tual aspect refers to at least one of alternative places  
of sojourn of the first individual, a contextual aspect  
of another individual with the same location as for the  
first individual, a planned contextual aspect as a  
30 function of future time of the first individual, how a  
planned contextual aspect was planned for the first indi-  
vidual when it changed from future to present, allocated  
time for a task of an individual, a contextual aspect  
referring to allocated time for used time for a work- or  
35 individual-related object, a contextual aspect referring  
to a work- or individual-related object with the same  
location as for the first individual, or a contextual

aspect for documentation related to the first individual or to his work.

3. A method as claimed in claim 2, c h a r a c -  
5 t e r i s e d in that for a work- or individual-related  
object at least one shown contextual aspect refers to  
keyboard activity, pointing device activity, active  
application, file name connected to active application,  
10 printout on printer, number of sheets printed on printer,  
working posture, setting of tool, engaged, switched off  
or somehow reachable, called individual, dialled phone  
number, called by an individual or called by a telephone  
number.

15 4. A method as claimed in claim 2, c h a r a c -  
t e r i s e d in that, for documentation related to the  
first individual or to his work, at least one shown con-  
textual aspect refers to cataloguing based on allocation,  
cataloguing based on another contextual aspect or other  
20 contextual aspects or communication of documentation  
related to one or more individuals at least in one of  
the respects sent to, received from, opened by, checked  
by, read by, commented on by or printed by.

25 5. A method as claimed in one or more of the preced-  
ing claims, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that at least  
information about restriction of availability of a con-  
textual aspect made by the second individual in relation  
to the first individual, in relation to one or more addi-  
30 tional individuals or in relation to one or more groups  
of individuals, is included in the contextual aspect log  
of the second individual and that at least one of the  
consequences of these restrictions can be shown in the  
context graph of the first individual which is available  
35 to the second individual.

6. A method as claimed in one or more of the preceding claims, characterised in that the context graph of the first individual, which is available to the second individual, does not show contextual aspects as a function of time of the first individual to a greater extent than the extent at which the second individual has made his own information about corresponding contextual aspects available to the first individual for a reciprocal period of time.

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7. A method as claimed in claim 6, characterised in that the reciprocal period of time is formed of at least one of the alternatives that it extends over a period of time which is fixed and predetermined in time, that it has a fixed length but rolling in time, that it extends over a period of time which has a predetermined relationship with the present time, that it contains at least a part which is future time, or that it corresponds to a period of time for which the second individual has made information about contextual aspects available to the first individual and a certain additional period of time after the last such period of time.

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8. A method as claimed in one or more of the preceding claims, characterised by showing, available to the second individual, in connection with the context graph of the first individual, also at least one corresponding context graph of the second individual or of one or more additional individuals.

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9. An arrangement for a second individual having a context log (29b), stored on a memory medium (39), which contains information about contextual aspects, related to the second individual, as a function of time, to read information from a first individual's context log (29a) containing information about contextual aspects, related

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to the first individual, as a function of time,  
c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that means (35) are arranged  
to select contextual aspect information from the context  
log (29a) of the first individual and, available to the  
5 second individual, generate and present, by image display  
means (59b), a context graph (71a) of the first indivi-  
dual that shows contextual aspects as a function of time,  
and in the context graph (71a), include at least a con-  
textual aspect which refers to at least one location of  
10 the first individual and a contextual aspect which refers  
to at least one activity on a work- or individual-related  
object with the same location as the first individual,  
and that the context graph (71a) shows contextual aspects  
for a period of time which comprises both present time  
15 and a period of the past in connection with the present  
time.

10. An arrangement as claimed in claim 9, c h a r -  
a c t e r i s e d in that means (35) are arranged to at  
20 least show one additional contextual aspect which refers  
to at least one of alternative places of sojourn of the  
first individual, a contextual aspect of another indivi-  
dual with the same location as for the first individual,  
a planned contextual aspect as a function of future time  
25 of the first individual, how a planned contextual aspect  
was planned for the first individual when it changed from  
future to present, a contextual aspect which refers to  
allocated time for a task of an individual, a contextual  
aspect for allocated time for used time for a work- or  
30 individual-related object, a contextual aspect which  
refers to a work- or individual-related object with the  
same location as for the first individual, or a  
contextual aspect for documentation related to the first  
individual or to his work.

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11. An arrangement as claimed in claim 10,  
c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that means (35) are arranged

for a work- or individual-related object so that at least one contextual aspect refers to keyboard activity, pointing device activity, active application, file name connected to active application, printout on printer, number  
5 of sheets printed on printer, working posture, setting of tool, engaged, switched off or somehow reachable, called individual, dialled phone number, called by an individual or called by a telephone number.

10           12. An arrangement as claimed in claim 10, characterised in that means (35) are arranged for documentation related to the first individual or to his work so that at least one shown contextual aspect  
15 refers to cataloguing based on allocation, cataloguing based on another contextual aspect or other contextual aspects or communication of documentation related to one or more individuals at least in one of the respects sent to, received from, opened by, checked by, read by, commented on by or printed by.

20           13. An arrangement as claimed in one or more claims 9-12, characterised in that means (35) are arranged to include in the context log (29b) of the second individual at least information (27b) about  
25 restriction of availability of a contextual aspect made by the second individual in relation to the first individual, in relation to one or more additional individuals or in relation to one or more groups of individuals, and that means are arranged so that at least one of the con-  
30 sequences of these restrictions can be shown in the context graph (71a) of the first individual which is available to the second individual.

          14. An arrangement as claimed in one or more of  
35 claims 9-13, characterised in that means (35) are arranged to control that in the context graph (71a) of the first individual, which is available to the second

individual, contextual aspects are not shown as a function of time of the first individual to a greater extent than the extent at which the second individual has made his own information about corresponding contextual  
5 aspects available to the first individual for a reciprocal period of time.

15. An arrangement as claimed in one or more of claims 9-14, characterised in that means (35)  
10 are arranged to form the reciprocal period of time with at least one of the alternatives that it extends over a period of time which is fixed and predetermined in time, that it has a fixed length but rolling in time, that it extends over a period of time which has a predetermined  
15 relationship with the present time, that it contains at least a part which is future time, or that it corresponds to a period of time for which the second individual has made information about contextual aspects available to the first individual and a certain additional period of  
20 time after the last such period of time.

16. An arrangement as claimed in one or more of claims 9-15, characterised in that means (35)  
are arranged to show, available to the second individual,  
25 in connection with the context graph (71a) of the first individual, also at least one corresponding context graph of the second individual or one or more other individuals.

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